



AGRICULTURAL PRICES

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Prices Received by Florida Farmers

Prices received by livestock producers in mid-November were mixed compared with the entire month of October. The mid-November price for cows at \$37.50 per hundredweight, was \$1.90 less than a month earlier, and \$4.90 less than a year ago. Steers and heifers at \$76.10 per hundredweight, was up \$0.40 per hundredweight from the previous month, and \$0.10 more than a year earlier. Calves at \$90.50 per hundredweight were \$2.20 higher than a month earlier and \$.50 higher than November 2008. The milk price was \$18.30 per hundredweight, up \$0.60 from a month earlier but \$3.90 below last year.

United States Price Index

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in November, at 134 percent, based on 1990-92=100, was unchanged from October. The Crop Index is down one point (0.7 percent) but the Livestock Index increased four points (3.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for lettuce, eggs, milk, and tomatoes and lower prices for apples, broccoli, strawberries, and grapes. In addition to prices, the overall Index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of milk, cotton, cattle, and oranges offset decreased marketings of soybeans, potatoes, peanuts, and lettuce.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down eight points (5.6 percent) from November 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 134, increased one point (0.8 percent) from last month but decreased five points (3.6 percent) from November 2008.

Summary Table

Index 1990-92=100	2008		2009	
	October	November	October	November
Prices Received	150	142	134	134
Prices Paid	187	182	176	176
Ratio ¹	80	78	76	76

¹ Prices Received/Prices Paid.

Average Price Received by Farmers

[Eggs, broilers and hay prices are midmonth estimates. Prices for the latest month for grains and soybeans are midmonth estimates. Prices for most meat animals are first half of month and other estimates are for the entire month]

Commodity	Florida			United States		
	November 2008	October 2009	November 2009	November 2008	October 2009	November 2009
MEAT ANIMALS						
Cowsdollars per cwt	42.40	39.40	37.50	43.10	43.60	42.00
Steers & heifersdollars per cwt	76.00	75.70	76.10	90.90	84.40	85.60
Calvesdollars per cwt	90.00	88.30	90.50	105.00	104.00	105.00
Hogs ¹dollars per cwt				40.70	37.80	40.00
MILK ²						
Sold to plants, all dollars per cwt	22.20	17.70	18.30	17.10	14.20	15.00
POULTRY						
Commercial broilers cents per pound				46.00	40.00	41.00
Table eggs cents per dozen	89.00	62.00	86.50	90.00	63.50	87.90
CITRUS, ON TREE						
Orangesdollars per box	4.52	(3)	6.75	7.53	11.47	11.57
Grapefruitdollars per box	5.00	16.60	8.36	5.49	12.90	8.83
Tangerinesdollars per box	6.89	6.92	10.80	17.47	6.92	11.34
FIELD CROPS						
Potatoesdollars per cwt	(3)	(3)	(3)	8.77	7.03	7.20
Hay, All baled dollars per ton	(3)	(3)	(3)	149.00	106.00	107.00
Peanuts dollars per pound	0.187	(3)	(3)	0.201	0.238	0.225
Corn ¹dollars per bushel				4.26	3.61	3.64
Oats ¹dollars per bushel				3.00	2.03	2.00
Cotton, Upland ¹ dollars per pound				0.548	0.567	0.579
Sorghum ¹dollars per cwt				6.48	5.55	5.79
Soybeans ¹dollars per bushel				9.39	9.44	9.48
Wheat, Winter ¹dollars per bushel				5.65	4.26	4.50

¹ Only marketing year average prices are estimated for Florida, except oats and sorghum which are not estimated.

² Before deductions for hauling and government withholding, and includes quantity and other premiums, but excludes hauling subsidies.

³ Not estimated this month.

Highlights-United States Prices Received Indices

All Crops: The November Index is 151, down 0.7 percent from October and 4.4 percent below November 2008. The decline in the fruits & nuts Index more than offset increases for commercial vegetables, oil-bearing crops, food grains, feed grains & hay, potatoes & dry beans and cotton.

Food Grains: The November Index, at 171, increased 5.6 percent from the previous month but is 25 percent below a year ago. The November all wheat price, at \$4.79 per bushel, is up 32 cents from October but \$1.50 below November 2008.

Feed Grains & Hay: The November Index is 157, up 1.3 percent from last month but 16 percent below a year ago. The corn price, at \$3.64 per bushel, is up three cents from last month but 62 cents below November 2008. The all hay price, at \$107 per ton, is up \$1.00 from October but down \$42.00 from last November. Sorghum grain, at \$5.79 per hundredweight is 24 cents above October but 69 cents below November last year.

Oil-Bearing Crops: The November Index, at 165, is up 1.9 percent from October but 4.6 percent lower than November 2008. The soybean price, at \$9.48 per bushel, is up four cents from October and nine cents above November 2008.

Cotton: The November Index, at 96, is up 2.1 percent from October and 6.7 percent above last year. The November price, at 57.9 cents per pound, is up 1.2 cents from the previous month and 3.1 cents above last November.

Potatoes & Dry Beans: The November Index, at 131, is up 3.1 percent from last month but 16 percent below November 2008. The all potato price, at \$7.20 per hundredweight, is up 17 cents from October but down \$1.57 from last November. The all dry bean price, at \$31.40 per hundredweight is up \$1.50 from the previous month but \$3.20 below November 2008.

Fruits & Nuts: The November Index, at 156, is down 4.3 percent from October but 7.6 percent higher than a year ago. Price decreases for apples, grapefruit, strawberries, and grapes more than offset price increase for oranges.

Commercial Vegetables: The November Index, at 194, is up 15 percent from last month and 26 percent above November 2008. Price increases during November for lettuce, tomatoes, and snap beans more than offset price declines for broccoli, cantaloups, and cucumbers.

Livestock & Products: The November Index, at 114, is 3.6 percent above last month but down 7.3 percent from November 2008. Compared with a year ago, prices are lower for milk, broilers, cattle, turkeys, hogs, and eggs. The price for calves is unchanged.

Meat Animals: The November Index, at 105, is up 1.9 percent from last month but 3.7 percent lower than last year. The November hog price, at \$40.00 per hundredweight is up \$2.20 from October but 70 cents lower than a year ago. The November beef cattle price of \$79.80 per hundredweight is up 60 cents from last month but \$4.50 lower than November 2008.

Dairy Products: The November Index, at 115, is up 5.5 percent from a month ago but 12 percent lower than November last year. The November all milk price of \$15.00 per hundredweight increased 80 cents from last month but is down \$2.10 from November 2008. The fluid grade milk price is up 80 cents from last month and the manufacturing grade milk price increased 90 cents.

Poultry & Eggs: The November Index, at 137, is up 7.9 percent from October but 8.1 percent below a year ago. The November market egg price, at 87.9 cents per dozen, increased 24.4 cents from October but is 2.1 cents below November 2008. The November broiler price, at 41.0 cents per pound, is up 1.0 cent from October but 5.0 cents below a year ago. The November turkey price, at 54.4 cents per pound, is up 2.3 cents from the previous month but down 4.2 cents from a year earlier.

Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities, by month - United States: 2008 and 2009

Month	All wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef cattle ¹		All hogs	
	2008	2009 ²	2008	2009 ²	2008	2009 ²	2008	2009 ²	2008	2009 ²
	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)
January.....	7.96	6.20	3.98	4.36	9.95	9.97	87.50	80.10	37.40	42.80
February	10.10	5.79	4.54	3.87	11.70	9.54	89.00	78.80	42.20	43.90
March.....	10.50	5.71	4.70	3.85	11.40	9.12	87.80	79.00	40.30	43.80
April	10.10	5.75	5.14	3.85	12.00	9.79	86.80	83.50	44.40	44.10
May.....	8.87	5.84	5.27	3.96	12.10	10.70	91.30	83.20	55.30	44.50
June.....	7.62	5.74	5.47	4.01	13.10	11.40	91.90	80.40	53.40	43.30
July	7.15	5.13	5.25	3.60	13.30	10.80	95.00	81.10	54.30	43.20
August.....	7.61	4.83	5.26	3.33	12.80	10.80	95.80	80.60	60.70	37.40
September	7.43	4.48	5.01	3.25	10.80	9.75	94.20	80.60	52.60	37.70
October	6.65	4.47	4.37	3.61	9.95	9.44	87.40	79.20	48.50	37.80
November	6.29	4.79	4.26	3.64	9.39	9.48	84.30	79.80	40.70	40.00
December	5.95		4.11		9.24		79.70		41.90	

¹ Includes cows, steers, and heifers.
² Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month.